



Resolution No. 2016R-312

City of Minneapolis

File No. 16-01021

**By B. Johnson, Reich, Gordon, Frey, Yang, Warsame,
Goodman Glidden, Cano, Bender, Quincy, A. Johnson, and Palmisano**

Honoring Governor Wendell Anderson.

Whereas, Governor Anderson served in the Minnesota House of Representatives from 1959-1962, then served in the Minnesota State Senate from 1963-1970; and

Whereas, Governor Anderson served as the 33rd Governor of the State of Minnesota from January 4, 1971, until December 29, 1976; and

Whereas, Governor Anderson was only 37 years old when elected governor, an East St. Paul native and former U.S. Olympic hockey player who brought home a silver medal from the 1956 Winter Olympics; and

Whereas, Governor Anderson was the chief architect of the "Minnesota Miracle of 1971", an innovative reform in the financing of Minnesota public schools and local governments that allowed for both reductions in property taxes and the narrowing of disparities in the quality of education and local government services between rich and poor jurisdictions; and

Whereas, this miracle was achieved through bipartisan consensus, a model of the Minnesota ideals of good government and sound policy; and

Whereas, for his efforts, Governor Anderson received national acclaim culminating with a feature in the iconic 1973 Time magazine titled "The Good Life in Minnesota"; and

Whereas, Governor Anderson enacted many of the foundational pieces of legislation we value to this day including strong environmental regulatory frameworks; a state minimum wage; state enforcement of federal workers' safety standards; open-meeting laws; one of the first significant efforts towards affordable housing, and an enhancement of the Metropolitan Council's planning authority;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the Mayor & City Council hereby honor Governor Wendell Anderson's legacy of transformational policy and public service for the people of Minneapolis and Minnesota be recognized for dramatically improving the quality of our state.

Committee: N/A Public Hearing: N/A Publication: JUL 30 2016

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE				
MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
REICH	X			
GORDON	X			
FREY	X			
B. JOHNSON				X
YANG	X			
WARSAME	X			
GOODMAN	X			
GLIDDEN	X			
CANO	X			
BENDER	X			
QUINCY	X			
A. JOHNSON	X			
PALMISANO	X			
DATE:	JUL 22 2016			

☒ APPROVED ☐ VETOED


MAYOR HODGES

JUL 26 2016
DATE

Certified an official action of the City Council
ATTEST:


CITY CLERK

Presented to the Mayor:	JUL 22 2016	Received from the Mayor:	JUL 27 2016
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